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**BIRTH.**  
On the 11th March, at Wanganui, New Zealand, the wife of SKYMAN HANSEN, of a daughter.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUE ROAD CL.

LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 21st MARCH, 1904.

ALTHOUGH the war between Japan and Russia is only six weeks old, we have already heard more complaints from war correspondents and the journals which they represent than in any previous campaign. The complaints refer, it is hardly necessary to say, to the obstacles put in the way of correspondents by the Japanese military and naval authorities. We have read bitter remarks in letters from correspondents and, in certain quarters, almost as bitter leading articles endorsing the said remarks. Japan has been warned that she will forfeit the sympathy of her well-wishers if she continues to prevent details of her strategic movements reaching the newspaper public. We venture to say that this is nonsense. Doubtless people brought up, as far as their reading is concerned, on sensations dished up for them by the newspapers, are disappointed when they cannot get, with their breakfasts or at their clubs, the latest news "from the front." But Japan is not fighting to amuse the newspaper-reading public or even to pay the war correspondents' salaries. She is fighting for her existence as a Power in the world. It is part of the essence of her struggle for life that her blows shall be struck from the dark, that her great enemy shall not know beforehand where he is going to be struck. Now it is the war correspondent's business—his duty to his employers and his readers—to reveal Japan's strategy. But can he expect the Japanese to allow him to ruin their plans in order that a certain number of British, American, or other readers may be gratified with a full knowledge of what is going on, or

that a certain number of newspapers may increase their circulation and correspondents add to their reputation? When these bitter complaints are made against Japan, the complainants evidently yield to their feelings of the moment. Yet they should know that in the South African War incalculable harm was done to the British cause by the reports of war correspondents being telegraphed back from Europe to the Boers; that Lord Kitchener in the Sudan restricted very firmly the freedom of newspaper men accompanying the forces; and that the Russians in the present war are sending to Europe only official reports. Why, then, should the nation fighting against such enormous odds as 15 Japan welcome the revelation of her movements to the world in general and her enemy in particular? It was stated recently that all correspondents who had been allowed to go to the front with the Japanese troops in Corea have now been commanded to go back. This information has not been confirmed, but such a step does not seem improbable if journalists allow their annoyance at censorship restrictions to embitter their writings so much. We like other newspapers in the East and elsewhere, suffer by the stoppage of news from the North; nevertheless, we do not think that Japan is therefore worthy of abuse for adopting a restrictive policy with regard to war news. Vexation at lack of news is natural, but to allow it to influence one with regard to one's attitude to the nation whose Government stops the news is unworthy of a serious writer.

A list giving the numbering of houses in the Hill district is published in the *Gazette*. Copies can be obtained upon application at the Treasury.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that satisfactory proof has been given of the appointment of M. Léon Robert to be Procureur-Général des Missions Étrangères in Hongkong.

M. G. de Berard, French Consul at Manila, died on the 14th inst. The interment took place on the 15th, the pall-bearers being various members of the Consular body. M. de Berard had been at Manila for 13 years consecutively.

We have received from Mr. Leung Yut Chi a sample box of cigars such as he is selling at his cigar-shop at No. 98, Queen's Road Central, under the shop-sign of Tong Chong & Co. Mr. Leung Yut Chi has been for many years in Havana.

A telegram to the *Manila Cables* dated Washington, March 14, says:—Colombia has at last receded from its position and abandoned its claims to Panama. Its action is hailed here as the most satisfactory solution of the difficulty. There is some expressed hope of a gratuity from the United States, but after Colombia's recent attitude this is generally accepted as being out of the question.

The P. & O. *Palmira* which arrived here yesterday, the 11th inst., says the *Singapore Free Press*, was "held up" by a Russian destroyer and germinated in the Gulf of Suez, apparently mistaking her for the *Kanagawa Maru*. It happens that the *Palmira* has military and naval stores aboard for Singapore and for Hongkong, but they were all British.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the hospitals:—

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S. W. T. T.	10
Edith Georg	5
J. Gregory	5
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On the 1st March, Renter wired that "The Liverpool collier *Oriel*, bound for Singapore, has been seized by the Russians in the Red Sea." Since then the subject was dropped, and nothing more was heard about the *Oriel*, until she dropped into Singapore on the 11th inst., with a cargo of coal from Barry. A representative of the *Straits Times* went on board the collier with the intention of obtaining full particulars of her capture by the Russians. He was disappointed. "Why," said the chief officer, "we never saw a single Russian during the whole voyage." On being shown the telegram in question, it seemed to afford the utmost amusement to him and his comrades.

## A MISSING WIFE.

A Chinese resident of this city mysteriously lost his wife on Saturday. The man in question is a native of Shanghai. Some ten days ago he got a friend at that city to bring the young lady to Hongkong for him. After spending over a week with him she was nowhere to be found, at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday. The poor husband, in great distress, reported the matter to the Police, but up to date the mystery has not been solved. A curious thing, however, and it may be a clue of some importance, is that the kind friend who brought the lady to Hongkong has also disappeared. One thing is certain, and that is, as the lady had bound feet, she must have been carried away by somebody.

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

## GREAT NAVAL DISASTER.

BRITISH SUBMARINE LOST.

London, 20th Mar., 12.10 a.m.

The British submarine boat No. 1, while submerged during the manoeuvres, was struck by the Cape mail steamer *Berwick Castle* and sank. Eleven lives were lost.

## GENERAL NEWS.

## THE FRENCH CRUISER "SULLY."

London, 20th Mar., 12.10 a.m.

The French cruiser *Sully* has sailed from Marseilles for the Far East. The temporary suspicion under which the vessel lay has been dispelled.

## INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL—SCOTLAND WINS.

London, 20th Mar., 12.10 a.m.

The last International Rugby football match of the season has resulted in a win for Scotland by 2 tries to one.

The International Rugby football championship table stands thus:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Against
England	3	1	1	1	36	30
Wales	3	1	1	1	47	31
Scotland	3	2	1	0	28	27
Ireland	3	1	2	0	17	36

On the 27th ult. the game at Dublin, between Ireland and Scotland, resulted in a brilliant victory for Scotland. The Scottish forwards played a fine game. They were too heavy for the Irish pack, although the latter wheeled well and made a good struggle. The Scotch backs working behind a superior pack, played a capital game. The final score was:—Scotland 2 goals, 3 tries; Ireland, 1 try.—[Ed. D.P.]

## REUTERS SERVICE.

## THE WAR.

London, 17th March.

An Imperial Ukase recalls Admiral Strick, the Commander of the Russian Pacific fleet, ostensibly on the ground of ill health.

The captain of the *Admiral* has been decorated for repelling the attack of the Japanese destroyers and destroying the fireships on the night of the 24th February.

The Russian Admiralty has abandoned the idea of sending the Baltic squadron to the East by the North-East passage.

## RUSSIA AND COREA.

London, 18th March.

It is authoritatively stated in St. Petersburg that Russia does not consider Corea a belligerent because of her attitude towards Japan.

## WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

London, 17th March.

The House of Commons has adopted a resolution in favour of women's suffrage by 182 to 68.

## OBITUARY.

London, 17th March.

The death is announced of H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge.

The late Duke of Cambridge will be buried in Kensal Green Cemetery beside his wife. A State service will be held in Westminster Abbey on Tuesday.

## BYE ELECTION—LOSS OF A SEAT.

London, 17th March.

A Liberal has been elected for East Dorset.

## TRANSVAAL LABOUR.

London, 17th March.

Sir H. Campbell Bannerman has given notice of a vote of censure against the Government for not advising the disallowance of the Transvaal Chinese Ordinance. The debate is fixed for 21st inst.

## THE GERMAN EMPEROR'S TOUR.

London, 18th March.

The German Emperor has arrived at Gibraltar. General Sir George White boarded the *König Albert* to welcome His Majesty, who landed in a launch between two rows of boats from the British Squadron. The Kaiser then drove with General Sir George White and a brilliant suite to the chief points on the rock, and the German flag was hoisted while a royal salute was fired from the galleries. The Kaiser will remain at Gibraltar for three days. The British naval and military display was most impressive.

## TERRIBLE LOSS OF A SUBMARINE.

London, 18th March.

It is officially reported that submarine boat No. A.I. has been sunk by a liner off the Nab. All hands were lost, including Lieutenant Mansergh and Sub-Lieutenant Preston Churchill.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE OPIUM FARM QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 18th March.

SIR,—I share the opinion of your correspondent "Opium Abstainer" that the right of selling opium-pills should not be enjoyed by the Opium Farmer to the exclusion of others. The reason is obvious. It may be questioned if the Farmer was not perfectly aware of the pill pidgeon at the time he tendered and fought for the monopoly of selling prepared opium?

Instead of encouraging people to smoke, the Hongkong Government should, for the sake of humanity, suppress it altogether, as it does gambling. Surely opium-smoking is as bad, in fact much worse, than an occasional investment of a few dollars in a Macao lottery? It seems to me that the day is not distant, if the sale of prepared opium continues to decrease, that the Government will find it necessary to put a tax of so many dollars per head on all non-smokers (Chinese only) in the Colony—just to protect the interest of the Farmer.—Yours, etc.

## ANTI-OPIUM.

## DEVONIAN DINNER.

The members of the Devonian Society held their annual dinner on Saturday evening, the function taking place on this occasion at the Hongkong Hotel. Though Devonshire is well represented in the Colony by her sons, especially while the Fleet is in Harbour, only thirteen Devonians were present at the dinner. Not only in Devonshire, but in the folklore of almost every English county, 13 is declared to be the most unlucky of numbers, and as all other odd numbers are accounted "lucky" the presence of a couple of guests must be accounted a most fortunate circumstance. Those present included Messrs. E. W. Mitchell (president), Mowbray S. Northcote (hon. secretary and treasurer, who occupied the vice-chair), H. E. Pollock, K.C., N. Deacon, A. Shelton Hooper, E. R. Hallifax, H. Tabor, F. G. Boyes, N. Munford, I. Hancock, J. Hooper, B. A. Haly, C. J. B. Stenson, and, as guests, Messrs. Grimble and Taylor. Conspicuous on the walls hung a representation of the arms of the county, as well as portraits of the late Admiral Buller (first president of the Society) and Admiral Skintoun Holland, who also has served the Society as its president. A capital dinner was provided, an especial feature, of course, being a "jacket" (minus the cream) while the wines included "aloe gin."

After the repeat the business affairs of the society were transacted. These included the reading of a letter from Lady Buller thanking the society for a message of condolence and sympathy sent on the occasion of Admiral Buller's death. Mr. Mitchell was re-elected president, and Mr. Northcote hon. secretary and treasurer. Mr. Pollock was elected to fill the vacancy on the Committee caused by the departure of Mr. R. K. Leigh. A short toast list was afterwards gone through, interspersed with songs and recitations, several of them in the Devonshire dialect, and in this way was spent what the President affirmed to be the most enjoyable evening ever held by the Society.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HONGKONG.

SIR HENRY BLAKE'S REPLY TO MR. SHEWAN.

The following letter was sent by Sir Henry Blake to the *Times* of Ceylon on the 2nd inst. for publication. It is our late Governor's reply to criticisms on certain features of his administration of Hongkong. The letter runs:—

SIR,—I have only to-day seen a letter in your issue of the 30th January by Mr. Robert Shewan, who has been for a short time a member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, on the subject of my letter to the *Times* of 19th November dealing with the public servants of Hongkong.

I do not care to enter into a controversy with Mr. Robert Shewan on the general question, but confine myself to two statements made by him. The first is: "He says that Professor Simpson visited the Colony at his request, but he forgot to add that this was forced upon him, and that his Government did nothing until the community took the matter in hand publicly, and appointed a Committee which drew up and forwarded a petition to the Home Government for inquiry, resulting in Messrs. Chadwick and Simpson being sent out."

There was no public meeting, and a reference to the Hongkong Blue Book containing all the correspondence will show that my despatch requesting that Messrs. Chadwick and Simpson should be sent out had been forwarded ten days before the petition mentioned by Mr. Shewan reached the Colonial Secretary. The other statement was as follows: "But he allowed himself to be lured upon by the comrade class of Chinese, by visiting them and their concubines he appeared to sanction such relations and gave offence to the 'neco guid' in the Colony." Without offering any opinion upon Chinese social arrangements, I will simply say that this statement is equally untrue.

Mr. Shewan claims to represent a certain class of Europeans who resented my friendship, and that of my family, with certain Chinese gentlemen. I accept him as the representative and feel compelled to explain with somewhat brutal frankness that in comparison the Chinese gentlemen were in cultivation, habits, and, I may add, manners, on a distinctly higher plane.—I am, &c.,

(3) HENRY A. BLAKE.

The Editor, *The Investors' Review*.

## CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. UNION CHURCH R.C.

The H.K.C.C. on Saturday paid the penalty of putting a poor team into the field against the Union Church Recreation Club and lost the match by 91 runs. Ward, who captained the Club team, won the toss and elected to put the Union Church XI. In first, the wicket being soft and likely to get worse. The manœuvre looked sound, but as it turned out there was not enough sun to dry the ground quickly, and the visitors consequently had the best of the wicket. Blacker and Pearce made a good start, the former scoring 24 out of 28, while Pearce went in first and was out sixth, having scored 82 out of 167. Wells made an useful 25 in ugly style, while two other double-figure items helped to bring up the score. The Club, without any of its regular bowlers, was weak in attack and the fielding was poor. When it came to batting only Moore and William Dixon could do anything, and the Club was soundly and deservedly beaten. Scores and analysis:—

	H.K.C.C.	U.C.R.C.
A. Macdonald (capt.)	24	
T. E. Pearce	82	
K. R. McDermott	2	
Rev. H. R. Wells	25	
C. R. S. Cooper	12	
H. Arthur	2	
Rev. C. H. Hickling	14	
J. W. C. Bunnar	1	
Geo. Grimble	0	
W. M. Ewell	0	
C. C. Hinchey	7	
Extras	8	
Total	177	

	H.K.C.C.	U.C.R.C.
R. Pansolly	4	
Eng. Com. Girdle	4	
A. G. Ward (capt.)	3	
Eng. Lt. G. Moore	2	
Pearce	24	
W. M. Ewell	1	
William Dixon	45	
Surg. R. H. Harley	11	
J. Hooper	0	
T. C. Gray	0	
N. H. Rutherford	0	
Extras	9	
Total	118	

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	H.K.C.C.	U.C.R.C.
Dixon	0	2
Elliot	14	52
Maibon	4	25
Rutherford	0	30
Moore	4	10
	H.K.C.C.	U.C.R.C.
Cooper	15	45
Pearce	15	55
McDonnell	12	5

## CIVIL SERVICE C.C. v. A.O.C.

A friendly game between the two clubs which have come out at the top of the League table was played in the Happy Valley on Saturday, when the Civil Service men avenged their late defeat in the League and won by 6 wickets. The A.O.C. rashly declared at 108 for 9 wickets and gave their opponents time to win, Wickett rising to the occasion and compiling 53, not out. Scores and analysis:—

	A.O.C.	C.S.C.
Capt. Davies	14	
Sergt. Major Webb	75	
Sergt. Shimmer	8	
Sergt. Olive	0	
Corpl. Bromley	0	
Corpl. Dixon	0	
Corpl. Bradford	0	
Corpl. Bradford	0	
Corpl. Bradford	0	
Corpl. Bradford	0	
Private Bradford	0	
Extras	4	
Total (Innings declared)	108	

	A.O.C.	C.S.C.
R. C. Wickett	53	
G. A. Woodcock	1	
Dr. Atkinson	1	
P. T. Lumble	1	
H. J. Jackson	7	
H. J. Gilley	0	
L. E. Best	0	
F. Lander	0	
Extras	29	
Total	118	

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	A.O.C.	C.S.C.
Lamble	0	2
Wickett	7	33
Best	8	28
Jackman	6	1
	A.O.C.	C.S.C.
Bradford	11	23
Capt. Davies	14	43
Skinner	2	1
Doran	5	15

## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council will be held at 3 p.m. to-day.

## BUSINESS.

## 1. Report of the Finance Committee. (No. 3)

## 2. Motions:—

1. That, in view of the letter which was recently addressed by Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.S., to the *Times* newspaper on the subject of leprosy, being caused by tainted fish, it is desirable that the Hongkong Government should cause some inquiry to be made into the question by its Medical Officers.

2. That it is desirable that the replies to questions which are put by Unofficial Members of Council should be published in the *Gazette* in addition to the questions themselves.

## 3. Questions:—

1. Will the Government take into consideration the advisability of improving as far as possible the present means of maintaining and scavenging the public roads, as these are often very unhygienic from pieces of paper, human skins, and chewed sugar-cane lying about?

2. In view of the heavy fogs and the difficulties and dangers of transport on the Peak roads at night, will the Government take into consideration some scheme for lighting the roads after dark, either by gas, or by strong oil lamps, such as the Kaiton light, and prepare an estimate of the cost?

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Second reading of the Bill entitled, An Ordinance to amend the New Territories Land Court Ordinance, No. 18 of 1900.

Second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to enable effect to be given in this Colony to a Convention signed the fifth day of March nineteen hundred and two in relation to sugar.

## THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LD.

The first annual meeting of the above Company was held at the offices of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on Saturday at noon. There were present:—Mr. A. G. Wood (chairman), the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Mr. J. Wheeler, general manager, and Messrs. Gershon Stewart, J. Barton, A. W. van Gibbs, W. Parlane, J. W. C. Bunnar, O. Baptista, L. E. Ozerorio, and Leung Shai Lun.

The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts have now been in your hands for some days, and I presume there is no objection to their being taken as read. The company's operations during the year show a fairly satisfactory result, considering the bad state of business generally during the whole of the period under review, and that a considerable amount of time was lost, in the earlier part of the year, in organising the present (amalgamated) company, and this matter required the very careful attention of the management for some months. The accounts now before you have had to bear an exceptional charge. Under the agreement for amalgamation, dated 21st October, 1902, it was arranged that the present company should complete the existing contracts of the Borneo Hardwood Co., Ltd., and that the profit, if any, on the said contracts should be equally divided between the present company and the Borneo Hardwood Co.; the latter company retaining all liability for non-fulfilment and for loss on the said contracts. The estimated profit on these contracts amounted to \$14,448.10, and half this sum (\$7,224.20) has been deducted from profit on sales of timber, etc., which amounted to \$92,753.72, reducing this sum to \$85,529.52 (the amount shown in the accounts). The contracts referred to are now ended; consequently, this is a charge that will not occur again, and we shall, in future, retain the whole of the profit on all transactions that pass through the company's hands. We hope you will approve our recommendation as to the disposal of the sum at credit of working account, i.e. the payment of a dividend of 5 per cent. to shareholders, absorbing \$37,600, leaving \$48,000 off launches and lighters, \$4,502.04 off timber concessions, and also writing off the whole of the preliminary expenses, amounting to \$9,991.60. The various properties have been well maintained and are all in good order, and I am glad to be able to say that, so far, the operations for the current year are quite satisfactory. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be glad to answer any questions you may like to put.

No questions were put. The report and accounts, as presented by the CHAIRMAN and seconded by Mr. W. PARLANE, were adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. J. BASTON, seconded by Hon. GERSHON STEWART, and carried that the Consulting Committee be re-elected.

It was proposed by Mr. A. W. VAN GIBBS, seconded by Mr. J. W. C. BUNNAR, and carried, that Mr. W. Hutton Potts be re-elected auditor of the Company for the present year.

The CHAIRMAN stated that dividend warrants would be ready for issue on Monday, the 21st inst., on application at the office of the Company. With the usual vote of thanks to the chair the meeting terminated.

## THE "WILHELM'S" MISHAP.

Further particulars which have been received, says the *Straits Times*, show that the engineers of the steamer *Wilhelm* made a highly creditable effort to bring the disabled vessel to port. As already stated, the *Wilhelm* broke down 30 miles outside Ampanan. She drifted about 200 miles before the shaft was repaired, the engineers working night and day to make good the damage. For four days the engineers, Messrs. Esso, Fairweather, and Callin, laboured incessantly at the broken shaft, and at last they succeeded in their efforts. The vessel eventually steamed 15 miles with the repaired shaft to anchorage at Sumbawa and thence to Ampanan, a distance of 120 miles, under the escort of the Dutch Government steamer *Kuarter*. She remained at Ampan



## HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

I think it will be the impression of most people in Hongkong that the controversy on the subject of the administration of the Colony under our late Governor has gone far enough. Sir Henry Blake has certainly administered a knock-out blow in his letter to the *Investors' Review*, the paper to which Mr. Robert Shawan sent his letter which the *Times* refused to print in full. Mr. Shawan courted the blow, it must be admitted, and cannot complain of the "brutal frankness" of his opponent. Surely the affair can be allowed to rest now? No good can be done by protracting the discussion in various papers whose readers are not interested in it. There were many points which were open to criticism in Sir Henry Blake's administration; but neither Mr. Ireland nor Mr. Shawan adopted the right method of criticising, and both permitted themselves to make misstatements which seriously weakened their cases.

I will only mention one point in Mr. Shawan's letter to the *Investors' Review* in which he goes wrong. He speaks of Hongkong being governed by "men sent out by the Colonial Office, who know nothing of our wants and ways and few of whom ever seem to learn—many of them merely mediocre schoolboys, one day in charge of the Police Department and the next the Post Office, or Treasury, or Magistracy without any previous training for those important offices." "Nor is this to be wondered at," he continues, "for to a great extent the Colonial service is supplied from the ranks of those who cannot pass to higher examinations for the Consular and other better paid Civil Services." Now Mr. Shawan seems to be unaware that the Hongkong Civil Service is recruited by cadets who go through the same identical examination as the Indian Civil Service, and that so far from getting men who "cannot pass the higher examinations" (which do not exist) we have in this Colony men who were high up in the Indian list, including one placed seventh, if I am not mistaken. In any case the difference in marks even between the highest and lowest candidates in the Civil Service examination is too small to put them on different planes of intellect. In stigmatising our cadets as "mediocre school-boys," while contrasting the other services with that of Hongkong, Mr. Shawan betrays a want of knowledge which is not permissible in a public man such as our popular Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council is. I, for one, very much regretted to see him "give himself away" as he did.

In no recent year have the vagaries of our Colony's climate been more marked than they have been this Spring. Twelve months ago at this season we were enjoying fine bright weather with a pleasantly high temperature. A week ago one would have sworn that we had entered upon the hot weather in real earnest, the glass registering from 72 to 74 degrees. Yet on Saturday the thermometer fell from 74 to 62 degrees, and following upon such a hot spell the cold appeared to be more intense than any that we had experienced during the winter. The only consolation to be drawn from the inflation upon us of last week's muggy, drizzling weather is that the reservoirs have been replenished, and a water-famine avoided.

The notice which the local branch of the China Association has taken of the flagrant violation of British sovereignty by the cold-blooded murder of the Chinese schoolmaster in Gage Street at the instigation of the Chinese officials in Canton is such as to deserve the thanks of the entire community. The claim for reparation ought to be pressed against the Chinese authorities very strongly. There should be nothing lackadaisical about the attitude of the British authorities in this matter. If the memories of Departmental officials were not so proverbially short, a remembrance of the cost of this kind of attitude in previous, though less flagrant, cases of the kind would supply the incentive necessary for energetic action. In his recently published autobiography Sir William Des Voeux has something to say on this very topic. He mentions a case of a man who was seized in Hongkong harbour, carried to the Chinese mainland, and immediately executed. The Governor of the Colony at the time of the occurrence took no action beyond reporting the circumstances to the home government; and though after diplomatic representation a tardy apology was obtained from the Chinese Government, the fact of this slight offence was unknown to the British authorities. It is simply incredible that the British Government should allow a matter of this kind to drag on indefinitely. Sir William Des Voeux cites the first case mentioned above as "only one of many instances within my experience where the policy of keeping things quiet, which used to be officially so much approved, was gained at the cost of increased trouble in the future."—*Verb. sup.*

Something was said in this column a week or two ago concerning the defective orthography on many of the sign-boards outside Chinese shops in the Colony, resulting in some cases in the most comical announcements being made. Some of the printing establishments have also been adding to the amusement of the British community lately. A week or two ago I observed a poster intimating that "several local talents" would assist at a concert, and now I observe the announcement of "A grand artistic string concert."

Very few Europeans at Hongkong seem to keep gold-fish, though, indeed, there is a certain demand for China gold-fish in Europe. The Chinese, of course, go in for them pretty strongly, as is fully demonstrated by the number sometimes seen for sale in Queen's Road and other thoroughfares. It would be interesting to hear what the writer of "Notes from the Botanic Gardens" has to say on the matter. There must be quite a few species in that pretty little fountain pond. The following interesting paragraph appears in one of the most recent issues of a home paper:—"The most beautiful and costly fish in the world come from China, and the rarest and most expensive of all is the brush-tail gold-fish. Specimens of this have sold for as high as £140 each, and in Europe the prices range from £50 to £100. The brush-tail gold-fish is so small that a five-shilling piece will cover it, and probably there is no living thing of its size and weight that is worth so much money." I notice that there are some gold-fish, of the large sort, in tubs at the Zetland Street Masonic Temple compound.

Quite a commotion seems to have been created among the Chinese community of the Colony by the proposal to amend the Opium Ordinance as to bringing opium-pills and "opium-wine" within the monopoly which is granted to the Opium Farmer. A somewhat similar question is at present agitating the Chinese at Singapore. Opium pills are expressly brought within the terms of the monopoly in the Southern Colony, but it appears the Opium Farmer there claims the sale of chandu (or opium) dross by persons other than his agents to be an infringement of his monopoly. His point is that chandu dross mixed with water and boiled is converted again into manufactured chandu. The quantity of chandu dross accumulated in the 150 licensed opium shops of Singapore is described as enormous, so that the point as to whether its remanufacture is an infringement of the rights of the Opium Farmer is one of considerable importance to him. The Government analysts and the Singapore Police Magistrate have the point under consideration.

I have been given to understand that the new electric tram-cars may be in running order some time in June. A few of the cars have already been put together in the car-shed situated to the east of the Bowrington Canal. The dynamo, although all the parts are here, has not yet been put together. It is said that the manager of the Tramway Company is shortly to arrive at Hongkong, and that, of course, looks like business. When one considers the delays occasioned by the Public Works Department—such as widening roads, raising the level of Praya East, etc.—and delays of shipments, one cannot condemn the workers who have performed their task speedily wherever they were, so to speak, let loose. Perhaps people never realised more acutely than at the present time what a boon the cars will be. Even in Queen's Road it is sometimes impossible to get a ricksha, all the coolies being "engaged," or, in other words, waiting for windfalls in the shape of bluejackets. Of late we have had the U.S. cruiser *Callao*, gunboat *Hadena*, monitor *Moterey*, and, to make ricksha things worse, the gunboat *Cincinnati* arrived on Saturday. Those raw-boned, free-and-easy looking American tars must have more money than sense.

Punch has taken occasion before now to laugh at the number of "acting" appointments in Government circles in Hongkong. This year there will be more cause for ridicule than ever. We have an Acting Governor, an Acting Colonial Secretary, an Acting Colonial Treasurer, an Acting Postmaster, an Acting Director of the Observatory, and an Acting Executive Engineer in the P.W.D. In the course of a month or so we shall have an Acting Chief Justice, an Acting Police Judge, an Acting Attorney-General, and an Acting Director of Public Works, while in the subordinate Governmental offices the "acting" appointments will be legion.

Only a very few days ago I read a letter from a correspondent, pointing out some of the dangers of Hongkong's verandahed streets. But there is one danger that was forcibly brought to my notice on Friday evening, at "closing time" in Queen's Road Central. Passing a certain shop which shall at present be nameless, a lady suddenly found herself almost hatless, and with a nasty bump on the side of her head, which might have been worse, but for the presence of her little charge, a child of some eight years, on the inner side of the path. The cause of the trouble, as I personally observed, was the careless manner in which the coolie carrying the shutters of the shop in question rushed out on to the pathway, with never a thought of who might be passing, with the result that the lady suffered—if not seriously, at least annoyingly. It would appear quite reasonable that the managers of the shops on this crowded thoroughfare should be expected to warn their coolies that the pathway belongs to others than themselves, and that they must exercise more care when carrying the shutters out of the shops at the hour of closing the establishments. This applies more especially to the shops to the east of the clock tower, and on the north side of the road.

## BANYAN.

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## FOOTBALL.

## SHIELD FINAL.

The final tie of the Hongkong Football Shield—the match of the season—was played off in the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon between teams from H.M.S. *Albion* and H.M.S. *Cressy*. The *Albion* winning the toss, the *Cressy* kicked off against the wind. McCoy and the other forwards dribbled up the centre of the ground. The *Albion*, however, before long worked to their opponents' end, the ball going behind off Mc Ginnis's head. McCoy (*Cressy*) passed to Mills, and the latter to Townsend, who kicked it behind. The *Albion*, from the back-kick, worked the ball down the centre again. McGinnis, at outside left, centred, and the ball went into goal off Noyes's head, great applause ensuing. Spencer, the *Albion*'s left half, kicked the ball right in front of the *Cressy*'s posts, but Williams was prevented from scoring. The *Cressy* made a forward movement, the ball being sent behind twice. After the goal-kick play was diverted to the other side of the field, only to return again a little later. After the ball was sent into touch from mid-field Forman gave the *Cressy* a corner, which was well handled by Jackson. Nothing resulted. The *Cressy*, determined to equalise, made a strong attack, the ball finally being headed over the posts by Mills. The *Albion* again came on, Williams giving the *Cressy* goalkeeper an opportunity of handling, the ball going behind off the latter's hands. The *Albion* continued to play dangerously near their opponents' citadel, Todd saving splendidly on two occasions. A corner was given, and shortly afterwards the ball was sent behind. This afforded the *Cressy* considerable relief, and they immediately turned the tables, one of their team sending in a long and strong shot from centre. Once more the *Albion* got the leather back to the other half of the ground, but Thompson, the *Albion* back, was one too many. A corner was given at the *Albion* and, after which Forman worked the ball down the right wing, finally passing to centre. Jackson and McGinnis had a little game on their own on the opposite wing, Jackson getting away. A foul was given against the *Albion* in their own half, but Williams and Ball passed down into *Cressy* territory, the ball finally being kicked behind. Townsend passed to centre, Holmes meeting the attack. The *Albion* worked up, but, after almost going the whole distance, the ball was returned. *Cressy* now was playing strongly, Mills and Forman doing good work on the right wing; the ball, however, was sent behind. The *Albion* made a forward movement, but Ball sent the ball behind, though there was an open goal, in the most absurd manner. The *Cressy* had to cede a corner. Townsend, who took the kick, sent the ball on top of the net. Half-time whistle found the score 1-0 in the *Albion*'s favour.

The game was recommenced amid great cheering. First the ball was sent into touch by the *Albion* three times in succession. The *Cressy* proceeded to attack, Townsend shooting off a pass from McCoy. Though the ball was stopped, the *Cressy* men held their ground for some time, but McGinnis eventually got away along the right boundary line. McDonald, a *Cressy* half, was applauded for a fine kick, as also was Smith for a good shot from centre half-back. A free kick was given to the *Cressy*, the ball being sent behind. Briggs did some pretty work, taking the ball from an *Albion* man on the left wing. The *Cressy* got well under way, Barr having to handle the ball. The *Cressy* sent a free kick on account of Barr carrying the ball too far from home—a palpable blunder. The *Albion* at last got away but McDonald and Martin always seemed to be there. Townsend broke away on the right side. An *Albion* man sent the ball into touch. A corner was given in the *Cressy* half, the ball going behind. Forman made a splendid shot from the right wing, just shaving the post. From a corner McGinnis sent the ball behind. The *Albion* had now warmed up considerably, most of the cheering being in their favour. A corner given in favour of the *Cressy*, resulted in a goal kick. The *Cressy* stood in a good way for scoring, but Smith missed. Jackson shot from the right, sending the ball behind. The *Albion*, in answer to a call for more, came down the centre of the ground, Williams passing to McGinnis, who, after a bit of a scrimmage, put the ball into net neatly. The *Cressy* now had but little time left, and stood the poorest chance of equalising, so the game lost interest somewhat. Williams scored a third goal off a pass from Spencer. Play in the vicinity of the *Cressy* goal continued for some time. McGinnis shot from the left sending the ball behind. Forman had an attempt, but without favourable result. A corner was given off Briggs; the *Cressy*, however, preventing further score. The *Cressy* gamely tried to break their "duck." The task being too difficult for accomplishment, the game ended—

H.M.S. *Albion*, 3; H.M.S. *Cressy*, 0. The teams were as follows:—H.M.S. *Cressy*: Todd, goal; A. J. Macdonald and M. Briggs, backs; D. Martin, A. Smith, and C. Noyes, halves; D. Jackson, J. Hill, W. McCoy, Mills, and L. Townsend, forwards. H.M.S. *Albion*: Barr, goal; Thompson, and Oliver, backs; Stanley, Holmes, and Spencer, halves; Forman, Ball, Williams, Wallace, and McGinnis, forwards.

Mr. R. Hancock was referee. The *Albion*, following their practice in the semi-final, "bucked up" considerably in the second half, play in the first half being more or less equal. As compared with their opponents the *Cressy* were a poor combination forward, though strong behind. Williams, the *Albion*'s centre forward, played a weak game at the outset, but improved with play. Forman and McGinnis, on the wings, played prettily throughout. Thompson and Oliver, too, the

backs, were at times almost invincible, while, after the *Albion* had scored two goals, Spencer, the left half, at times fell back to make the defence more certain. The combination was beautiful, and there is no doubt that the best side secured the Shield. The ground was very heavy, but otherwise conditions were favourable. Spectators surrounded the field three and four deep, while the stand was packed. After all scoring a signal-man communicated by Morse code to someone who, presumably, signalled the state of the game to the Fleet.

## PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.

The shrill note of the whistle had hardly announced that the Shield was won, when British tars from all parts of the field raced to secure front positions at the landing over of the Shield, and distribution of medals. Mrs. A. Atkinson, who, after Dr. Atkinson had addressed the assembly, presented the medals, received a handsome bouquet of flowers from Forman, the captain of the victorious team.

Dr. Atkinson, in the course of his remarks, mentioned that this was the first time in the history of the Shield that four naval teams had contested the semi-finals.

Three cheers were given for Dr. and Mrs. Atkinson, and three for the *Albion* for the *Cressy*; the latter receiving a response. The list of Shield matches, the first being played on the 9th January, is as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.  
H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 4—H.M.S. *Glory*, 2.  
H.M.S. *Tamar*, 2—V.R.C., 0.  
H.K. F.C., 8—Naval Yard, 0.  
H.M.S. *Cressy*, 12—R.E., 0.  
Sherwood Foresters, 15—Rovers, 0.  
SECOND ROUND.  
H.M.S. *Albion*, 2—H.M.S. *Tamar*, 0.  
H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 8—R.A., 0.  
H.M.S. *Ocean*, 3—H.K. F.C., 2.  
H.M.S. *Cressy*, 1—Sherwood Foresters, 2.  
SEMI-FINAL.  
H.M.S. *Cressy*, 4—H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 1.  
After a draw of two goals each.  
H.M.S. *Albion*, 4—H.M.S. *Ocean*, 1.  
FINAL.  
H.M.S. *Albion*, 3—H.M.S. *Cressy*, 0.

## NAVAL FUNERAL.

H.M.S. *Glory* has had a second funeral within a very short space of time. McDonald, A.B., was buried with Naval honours at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, the ceremony being a most impressive one. The band of H.M.S. *Cressy* played the funeral march as the men walked in slow procession to the Cemetery gate. On arriving at this point the band ceased, while the Union Jack covered coffin was lifted from the gun-carriage, and carried by sturdy sailors to the grave, the attendance following with uncovered heads. Capt. the Hon. W. G. Stopford, and various other officers, were present. The Roman Catholic chaplain performed the religious ceremony. The three final volleys were heard at a considerable distance.

## THE OBSERVATORY IN 1903.

Mr. F. G. Figg, the Acting Director of the Observatory, says in his annual report that the results of the daily weather forecasts have been:—Success 58 per cent., partial success 31 per cent., partial failure 7 per cent., failure 1 per cent. Following the method used in meteorological offices and taking the sum of total and partial successes as a measure of success, and the sum of total and partial failure as a measure of failure, it follows that 92 per cent. of the weather forecasts were successful in 1903. The China Coast Meteorological Register was printed every morning at the Observatory, and information regarding storms was telegraphed to Hongkong and exhibited on notice boards as often and as fully as such information could be justified by the weather telegrams received. This happened on 80 days in 1903. The red drum was hoisted 8 times, the red south cone 3 times, the black drum 4 times, the black south cone 3 times, the black north cone once, and the black ball twice. Two lanterns were hoisted once, and the typhoon gun fired once. Printed bulletins for general distribution were issued on 4 occasions. About 60 copies of the China Coast Meteorological Register are delivered free daily to shipping firms and others.

During 1903 in addition to meteorological registers kept at about 40 stations on shore, 1,450 ship logs have been forwarded by the captains. The total number of vessels, whose log-books have been made use of, was 136. The total number of days' observations (counting separately those made on board different ships on the same day) was 8,493.

Professors Shinjo, Utani and Yuyayama, of the Imperial Japanese Geodetic Commission, who were on a tour for the purpose of determining the constant of gravity and the magnetic elements at various places in the Far East, spent a fortnight at the Observatory in the spring, the magnetic but being placed at their disposal for their work in Hongkong. In 1903 the number of transits observed was 1,067. The axis of the transit instrument was levelled 217 times, and the azimuth and collimation errors, which are less liable to variation, were determined 10 times by aid of the meridian. The whole of the observations have been made and reduced by Mr. J. I. Plummer, and are now ready for the press. The standard sidereal clock by Dent continues to give complete satisfaction.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

The *Hopsang* from Saigon reports moderate to fresh N.E. monsoon and cloudy weather. The *Hangchow* from Cheongkwang reports strong N.E. wind, high sea, and heavy rain as far as Lung Tung; thence to Breaker Point strong monsoon, high sea, and overcast; fresh monsoon and overcast to port. The *Ajas* from Shanghai reports strong monsoon.

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## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their Weekly Share List, dated Hongkong, 19th March:—Business has quietened down considerably and very little has been done during the week under review. The sterling demand rate on London is 9.15/16d., while the rates on Shanghai have advanced to Tls. 7 1/4 for a T/P, and 1/8 7/4 for three days' sight private paper. Bar silver in London is quoted 26.3/16d., and Consols 486.11/16.

BANK SHARES.—A few Hongkong and Shanghai have been done at 3505, and the market closes steady at that rate; London quotes 481. Nationals sold at 355.

MARINE INSURANCES.—We have not heard of any business. Unions are on offer at 1575, while the other stocks under this heading are unchanged. The statutory meeting of shareholders in the North China Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at Shanghai on 22nd instant, to pass the Directors' report, in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong's are a little firmer, and 82 1/2 are obtainable. Chinas sold at 88 to 88 1/2, and are steady at latter figure.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been placed at 226 to 226 1/2, closing steady at latter rate. Indo-China dropped to 280, but have been sold since up to 283 1/2 cash, closing firm at latter rate; the Shanghai rate is Tls. 62 buyers. China and Manilas sold at rates ranging between 319 and 322, and close with buyers at the higher figure. Douglass have sellers at 238. Star Ferries, as well as Shells, are unchanged.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars continued to improve, and up to 1111 cash, 1112 for 30th April, 1115 for 30th June, and 1117 for 31st August has been paid; but a reaction set in, and shares sold again at 1110 cash, and 1115 for 31st August, at which rates there are further sellers. Luzons continue on offer at 310.

MIXING SHARES.—Without business and unchanged.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company shares continued in demand, and up to 2505 1/2 cash, also 2516 for 31st August, has been paid, the market closing firm at 2505 cash. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company shares sold at 293 and 294 cash, closing with sellers at 292 1/2. Amoy Docks are unchanged. Furnham's changed hands at Tls. 144, but close a little easier with probable sellers at Tls. 142 1/2. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have dropped in the north to Tls. 182 1/2; the annual meeting of shareholders will be held on 22nd instant, transfer books closing from 12th to 22nd instant, we hear that the final dividend for 1903 will be Tls. 6, making in all Tls. 11 per share.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's shares sold at 148 and 147, and at latter rate shares are obtainable. Kowloon Lands have sellers at 335 and West Point have dropped to 333 sellers. Hongkong Hotels, sold as low as 1138, but they are a little firmer, with no sellers under 1140; Humphreys sold at 110 1/2 for fully paid up shares, and at 226 for shares, on which only 52 1/2 has been paid up. Shanghai Lands are quoted Tls. 108 in the north.

COTTON MILLS.—Unchanged, no business. MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements are firmer and wanted at 325. China Borneo sold at 38 1/2 to 39, and are on offer at the higher rate. A. S. Watsons are obtainable at 144. Electric sold at 12 1/2 to 12 3/4 for old, and have sellers at the higher rate; new shares have been parted with at 50 1/2, and at 50 1/2 more shares are obtainable. Ropes sold and have sellers at 144 1/2. Teas have receded to 2220 sellers. Hongkong Steam Waterboats have been fixed at 151 1/2, and China Providents at 82 1/2. Watsons have sellers at 5 1/2; the 5th ordinary annual meeting of shareholders will be held on 28th instant, transfer books being closed now till that date. Campbell, Moore & Co. are on offer at 340; the 18th ordinary annual meeting of shareholders will be held on 31st instant, transfer books being closed now till that date. Wm. Powells have sellers at 32 1/2; an interim dividend of 50 cents per share for the current book year will be payable on 22nd instant, transfer books being closed now till that date. Alhambra Cigar shares are quoted 2200; Langkats are quoted in the north Tls. 285 ex the dividend of Tls. 10 per share paid on 15th instant; the annual meeting of the company's officers, Tanjongpoera, Sumatra, on 26th proximo; it appears that all the business transacted at the Shanghai meeting of shareholders must be confirmed at a meeting of shareholders at the head office.



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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [791]

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Hongkong Jettings.

Hongkong Branch of China Association.

Japan During the War.

Hongkong Legislative Council.

China Times Case at the Theatre.

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Supreme Court.

Balladard-Chang On Collision.

Sporting Notes.

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245	696	1077	1368	1613
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [796]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Hongkong, 19th April, 1904. [1]

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT will be given on TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 5.30 p.m. in the CITY HALL, when MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE will be given by FULL CHORUS & ORCHESTRA.

Prices of Admission to non-subscribers \$3 & \$1.

PETER DOW, Hon. Secretary (vocal).

H. W. D. SCHMIDT, Hon. Secretary (Orchestra).

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [716]

## WANTED.

FIRST-CLASS CHINESE BROKER, can obtain good, paying employment by addressing—

BOX 901, Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [776]

## WANTED.

AN Additional RUSSIAN TEACHER. This Day, Russian Training Studio, Watkins Buildings, Principal, Warwick Poole.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1904. [775]

ENGLISH LESSONS.

ENGLISH LADY wishes to give private LESSONS in ENGLISH. Speaks German, which would be an advantage to German Ladies or Gentlemen requiring tuition.

Apply—

BOX 689, Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [769]

FOR SALE.

BY kind permission of Gentlemen present at the battle of Chennop Mr. A. FONG, the well-known Local Photographer, has on Sale the best collections of WAR PICTURES in the Colony.—No. 4, ICE HOUSE ROAD.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [739]

FOR SALE.

THE STOCK in Trade and Good Will of an Old Established Bicycle Firm in the Colony, situated in a good locality.

Apply by letter to—

"BICYCLE," Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [587]

FOR SALE.

OWNERS leaving the Colony, the Cruiser Yacht "PLOVER," 58 feet over all, cabin with accommodation for four Europeans, pantry, &c., with all fittings complete. Suitable for picnics or shooting parties.

May be inspected on application to THE ITALIAN FAR-EST TRADING CO., 10, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [674]

AT THE PEAK.

FOR SALE, A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, with or without Furniture, together with Large Croquet Ground.

For Terms and Particulars apply to—

TURNER & CO., Hongkong, 20th March, 1904. [613]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, at 7.45 for 8 p.m. Members who wish to be present are requested to send in their names to the undersigned at the Chinese Club, not later than THURSDAY, 24th instant.

H. F. CHARD, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [786]

QUAN WAH & CO.

GRANITE MERCHANT CONTRACTORS.

Dealers in

MARBLE and GRANITE MONUMENTS.

No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

Estimates, Designs & Prices on Application.

All descriptions of Granite for Export.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1900. [251]

AUTOMATIC MAUSER PISTOLS.

CALIBRE 7.63 m.m.

With CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES.

FIRING 10 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS.

SIEMSEN & CO., Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900. [45]

MAIL TABLES

FOR 1904.

Mounted on Card ... 30 cents

Paper ... 10 cents

On Sale at the Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that J. & P. COATS LD., carrying on business at Ferrisburgh Thread Works, Paisley, in the County of Renfrew in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland as Yarn Thread and Sewing Cotton Manufacturers have, on the 3rd day of November, 1903, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of TRADE MARKS of the following TRADE MARK.

THE REPRESENTATION OF A RABBIT

in the name of J. & P. COATS LD., who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The TRADE MARK is intended to be used by the applicants forthwith in respect of the following goods:

A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the undersigned.

Dated the 22nd day of December, 1903.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Applicants.

8, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong.

[589]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th MARCH, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.



# ROBINSON PIANO Co. LD

## FOUR REMARKABLE PIANO - PLAYERS.

APOLLOETTE - - - - - \$450

APOLLO - - - - - \$550

## APOLLO "MASTER" PLAYERS.

## PLAY EVERY NOTE

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## TREMENDOUS IMPRESSIVENESS

(OTHER MAKES PLAY 30 NOTES

LESS).

## "APOLLO" PLAYERS

## for Hire.

## APOLLO SUBSCRIPTION

## LIBRARY.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [640]

## AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 21st day of MARCH, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Foreshore and Sea Bed at North Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. [745]

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Site.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price.
Regd. No.	Locality			
Marine				
Lot No.	North			
1	253	Point	400 144 522 645	201,122 2,078 70,400

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Mortgage, Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 21st day of MARCH, 1904, at 3 o'clock p.m., at his Sales Room, Duddell Street, THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, being Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace, Bonham Road, situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong.

The following are the Particulars:—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered at the Land Office as section B of Inland Lot No. 689 containing in area 7500 square feet and is held for the residue of the term of 99 years commencing on the 28th day of June, 1861, created therein by a Crown lease of the said Inland Lot No. 689 dated the 28th day of October, 1861, together with the messuages or tenements and other erections and buildings thereon known as Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace and which said piece or parcel of ground is held subject to the payment of \$38.08 the annual Crown Rent and to the observance and performance of the covenants and conditions contained in the said Crown Lease.

Monthly rental of No. 5, West End Terrace \$50 including taxes.

Monthly rental of No. 4, West End Terrace \$50 including taxes.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to—

Mr. GEO. K. HALL BRUTON, Solicitor for the Vendor,

or to

Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [746]

### NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

SIXTY COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTFORD'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 38, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [8518]

## INSURANCES

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA. INCORPORATED 1851. Cash Security ... \$252,719 Total Losses Paid ... \$23,769,240

THE Underigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO. Hongkong, 19th May, 1903. [84]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO AND LONDON. INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

### MARINE BRANCH.

THE Underigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above are prepared to accept risks at current rates.

ALEX. ROSS & CO. Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [784]

### NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO

### FIRE and LIFE.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Underigned are prepared to accept First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSURANCE. Proposals on application.

TURNER & CO. Agents. Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [267]

### NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1902, £16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £3,000,000 0 0  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... 2,750,000 0 0  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... 687,500 0 0  
II. FIRE FUNDS ... 2,867,215 11 1

The Underigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Agents. Hongkong, 18th June, 1903. [1888]

### THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Underigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates.

HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO. Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [2169]

### L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Underigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [1]

### AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHATELLE.

THE Underigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO. Agents. Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [199]

### PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

THE Underigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO. Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office. Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [29]

### MITSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS, NAGASAKI.

CODE WORD: "DOCK" NAGASAKI. A.I. A.B.C. Electric and Engineering Codes.

DOCK No. 1 (at TATEGAMI). Extreme Length ... 523 feet. Length on Blocks ... 513 " Width of Entrance on Top ... 89 " Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 77 " Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 281 "

DOCK No. 2 (at MUKAJIMA). Extreme Length ... 371 feet Length on Blocks ... 350 " Width of Entrance on Top ... 66 " Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 53 " Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 22 " PATENT SLIP (at KOSUGE). Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

THE WORKS are well equipped with the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS and can execute any kind of work in SHIPBUILDING and MARINE ENGINEERING as well as in REPAIRING OF SHIPS. The COMPANY has a SALVAGE STEAMER, 712 TONS GROSS, FITTED WITH POWERFUL SALVAGE PLANT READY AT SHORT NOTICE. [1677]

### CARTRIDGES.

IMPORTED EVERY MONTH, THEREFORE ALWAYS FRESH.

ELEY'S, SCHULTZ'S, AMBERITE and KYNOC'S SPORTING CARTRIDGES 8, 10, 12, 16, and 20 BORE, and NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT in all Sizes, Nos. 10 to 58SG. AIR GUNS and AMMUNITION in Variety.

WM. SCHMIDT & CO. Hongkong, 28th November, 1903. [11]

### ON SALE.

THE PROVINCE OF SHANTUNG.

Reprinted from the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Price, 50 cents Cash. Messrs. Kelly & Walsh or Daily Press Office Hongkong, 31st January, 1906

## HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LD.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

In the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday at noon the ordinary yearly meeting of the above Company was held. Mr. R. C. Wilcox (chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. W. Parfitt and W. Hutton Potts (directors), J. E. Michael, M. S. Northcote, J. H. Underwood, H. C. Wilcox, E. S. Joseph, P. C. Potts, W. E. Clarke, A. Rodger, W. Davies, E. D. Haskett, Dr. Rennie, Messrs. F. D. Goddard, and C. Mooney (secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—As the report of the directors and statement of accounts has been in your hands for some time, I propose, with your permission, to take them as read. As you will remark, the results of the working for the second half of 1903 exhibit a considerable decline on the same period of 1902, amounting to \$11,740.96. This was chiefly due to the falling off in the number of transient guests, and also to the very appreciable decrease in the receipts from the bars. The balance at credit of profit and loss, including the sum of \$13,653.44, brought forward from last half year amounts to \$4,161.00, as compared with \$33,272.00 in the corresponding half year of 1902. Under the circumstances, but with much regret, your directors do not feel justified in proposing the dividend of 12 per cent. which you have enjoyed for several previous half-years, and have accordingly recommended payment of \$5 per share, or 10 per cent., to write off the usual sum of \$10,000 from value of furniture and fixtures, the transfer of \$10,000 to repairs and renewals fund, to write off \$1,000 from value of stock, and to carry the balance of \$3,161.00 to new account. I have then the amount proposed as dividend has excited some dissatisfaction, I should like to point out that the proposed apportionment of the profits is the only one that, as faithful stewards and business men, we could prudently suggest, and for the following reasons:—First, we have no reserve for equalisation of dividends. Secondly, it is absolutely necessary to make a generous provision for repairs and renewals. This fund is constantly being drawn upon; for part of the hotel building is very old and requires frequent and, sometimes, rather extensive repairs. Thirdly, our furniture, glassware, crockery, carpets, curtains, &c., all require to be very hard wear, and it is imperative that we should allow liberally for depreciation. I may add that machinery and fixtures have a knack of giving out occasionally and requiring renewal. We have now had a fairly good experience of what wear and tear is in an establishment of this kind with careless Chinese servants; and as the fruit of that experience we have, for some years, maintained the amount for depreciation at \$10,000 for each half-year, and a like sum has been devoted for repairs and renewals. To appropriate less than this would be to bound money in such a manner. I am glad to say the electric light installation has been completed all over the building, and it is working well, the light being excellent; and the hotel is now, therefore, up to date in all departments. Mr. Osborne, our assistant colleague, now on his way out, has been to a great deal of trouble in looking after the interests of the hotel whilst in England. In fact, he has spent a fair share of his holiday in inspecting improvements, making purchases and engaging employees for the company without any remuneration, and I am sure the shareholders will agree that hearty thanks are due for the trouble taken and the warm interest shown by him in the welfare of the company. (Applause.) Before proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may wish to put.

Mr. J. H. UNDERWOOD—I beg to propose that the usual \$5 dividend be paid. On the furniture account, during the last eighteen months, they have written off \$25,000 and have only spent \$13,454, which has come out of profits. I think this continued writing off of the furniture, especially, and I might also mention the launch—is exorbitant. It is a well-known fact that the furniture in this place cannot be replaced, I don't think I am wrong in saying, at three times the amount. As regards repairs and renewals, one knows that in a Colony like this, the expenses are enormous, but I think that that has been carried a little too far. I beg to propose that the usual \$5 dividend be paid.

THE CHAIRMAN—Does anyone second this amendment?

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THE CHAIRMAN then said:—Gentlemen,—The amendment has not been seconded. I may say I do not agree with Mr. Underwood, and I am quite sure the majority of the shareholders will not. It is well







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